

**Board of County Commissioners
Agenda Item Summary**

Meeting Date: June 18, 2003
Bulk Item: Yes ☒ No ☐

Division: Board of County Commissioners
Department: **George R. Neugent**

AGENDA ITEM WORDING:

A resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Florida supporting the reconstruction of the Old Seven Mile Bridge to the original design and requesting the Florida Department of Transportation expedite the work

ITEM BACKGROUND:

PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOCC ACTION:

CONTRACT/AGREEMENT CHANGES:

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

TOTAL COST:

BUDGETED: YES ☐ NO ☐

COST TO COUNTY: \$

Source of Funds: _____

REVENUE PRODUCING: YES ☒ NO ☐

AMT PER MONTH: **YEAR:**

APPROVED BY: COUNTY ATTY ☒ OMB/PURCHASING ☐ RISK MANAGEMENT ☐

APPROVAL: _____

M for George Neugent
Commissioner GEORGE R. NEUGENT
DISTRICT II

DOCUMENTATION: INCLUDED ☒ TO FOLLOW ☐ NOT REQUIRED ☐

DISPOSITION:

AGENDA ITEM # _____

Commissioner Neugent

RESOLUTION NO. -2003

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE OLD SEVEN MILE BRIDGE TO THE ORIGINAL DESIGN AND REQUESTING THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION EXPEDITE THE WORK

WHEREAS, the old 7-mile Bridge (between Marathon and Pigeon Key) is the only roadway to Pigeon Key. The limited use of the Bridge creates several undue hardships on Pigeon Key, for example: the delivery of necessary supplies and the creation of a dangerous situation by restricting the access to Pigeon Key for fire and medical vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the Bridge has been historically used as a route to special events held on Pigeon Key as well as a viewing platform for events held in the vicinity of the bridge. These said events contribute to the economic well being of the City's tourist economy; and

WHEREAS, the old 7-Mile Bridge is enjoyed by thousands of visitors and locals for sight seeing, walking, bicycling, fishing, sunset watching and other similar activities. People using the old 7-mile bridge are entitled to a safe platform from which to conduct those activities; and

WHEREAS, this portion of the old 7-Mile Bridge is the only portion of the original Flagler Railway that stands largely in its historical condition and is also useable by the public. The old 7-Mile Bridge is on the National Historic Register and should be preserved in its historic condition for many years to come; and

WHEREAS, the people of the City of Marathon desire to have the repair of this structure completed as soon as possible to minimize inconvenience and danger; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA:

Section 1 The Monroe County Board of Commissioners requests that the FDOT take immediate steps to restore the old portion of the 7-Mile Bridge from Marathon to Pigeon Key to a safe condition as close to its original design as a highway bridge as is reasonably practical.

Section 2 The Monroe County Board of Commissioners further requests that the FDOT take all steps necessary to expedite this project and bring it to completion as fast as possible.

Section 3 This resolution shall be transmitted to the FDOT secretary in Tallahassee and copied to the District Six secretary.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Florida, at the regular meeting of said Board held on the 18th of June, 2003.

Mayor Spehar
Mayor Pro Tem Nelson
Commissioner McCoy
Commissioner Neugent
Commissioner Rice


(SEAL)
Attest: DANNY L. KOLHAGE, Clerk

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA

By _____
Deputy Clerk

By _____
Mayor/Chairperson

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APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY
BY 
ROBERT N. WOLFE
DATE 6-5-03